Amendments to the Specification:

1. Please **replace** the following amended paragraph for the pending paragraph beginning on page **3**, line **26**:

Fig. 2 illustrates the functionality of a first embodiment of the image processing application 22. The application includes an image input section 24, and image processing section 26. The application also includes a section of selection tools 28 for enabling a user to define and select a desired region of a captured image. The selection tools 28 include a rectangular box selection tool 28a and a word-by-word (or word-to-word) selection tool 28b. The rectangular box tool selection tool 28a operates by enabling the user to define a rectangular boundary around a desired region. The word-by-word (word-to-word) selection tool 28b operates by performing an optical recognition algorithm to identify word patterns and the spaces between words. The user can then select a region on a word-by-word basis. A suitable word-to-word selection tool is described, for example, in commonly owned [[U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/438,891]] Patent No. US 6,640,010 B2 entitled "Word-to-Word Selection on Images", the content of which is incorporated herein by reference.